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Tag Your Pet!

By law, license tags are required for certain Brazos County pet owners to show proof of ownership and rabies vaccinations. All dogs, cats and ferrets ages four months or older must be vaccinated for rabies by a licensed veterinarian each year. Are you new to Brazos County? Your pet will need a license tag as well. Animal Control officers will give citations to owners of pets without a Brazos County tag.

The tag also provides 24-hour support for lost pets, up to \$500 in trauma support, rides for lost or injured pets, rabies vaccine reminders, reduced impoundment fees and funds to support our local shelter. Brazos County pet license tags are \$15 and can be purchased through your local veterinarian or the Aggieland Humane Society. Learn more at cstx.gov/animalcontrol or call 979.775.5755 for more details.

New FEMA Floodplain Maps

New FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps will go into effect on April 2, concluding a multi-year effort affecting many local properties. The new maps primarily incorporate changes to Carters Creek from Hwy 21 to Bird Pond Road, and the majority of Bee Creek. Maps and additional information are available at cstx.gov/floodplains.

Household Hazardous Waste & Computer Collection Event

The Household Hazardous Waste & Computer Collection Event will take place Saturday, April 26 from 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the University Services Building. The event can be accessed by going east from Hwy 6 on Harvey Road, then taking the first left after the Veterans Park entrance. No entry will be allowed from University Drive.

This free event is the safest way for Brazos Valley residents to properly dispose Household Hazardous Wastes. Some examples of accepted materials include: paint, medications, computers, gasoline, pesticides, herbicides, motor oil, antifreeze, batteries, compact fluorescent light bulbs and household cleaning agents.

For a list of accepted hazardous wastes, visit cstx.gov/hhw or call the Household Hazardous Waste Hotline at 979.764.3809.



Help Wanted

Volunteers are needed to help with HHW event traffic control, litter collection and other duties. A variety of shifts are available and volunteers will receive a shirt, meal and refreshments. Interested? Learn more at cstx.gov/recycle.

Smart Water Planning

The City of College Station is currently updating its Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency Plan, and they each require your feedback.

Water Conservation Plan

Many Texas water suppliers, including College Station, are required to develop a Water Conservation Plan and have those plans reviewed and updated at least once every five years.

Water Conservation Plans are valuable tools for water utilities and their customers by providing the best management practices for appropriate use of our limited water supplies. The plans contain strategies for reducing water consumption, reducing water loss (i.e., leaks), and improving the efficiency and reuse of water.

Drought Contingency Plan

Drought Contingency Plans are another important tool to help water utilities manage water supplies in times of drought and emergencies. The plans contain triggers for different levels of response and appropriate strategies to reduce water consumption. They are typically implemented over a short period of time in response to an emergency, such as a natural disaster or limitation in supply due to equipment failure, or extended drought.

For more information on these plans and to find out how you can provide feedback, visit cstx.gov/water or call 979.764.3660.

QUICK LINKS

Brazos County Tags

cstx.gov/animalcontrol

Floodplain information

cstx.gov/floodplains

Household Hazardous Waste

cstx.gov/hhw

Water Conservation

cstx.gov/water

HERSHEY'S Track & Field Games

Saturday, May 17 | Register today

The HERSHEY'S Track and Field Games is a national event for kids ages 9-14. This year's event will be held in Merrill Green Stadium at Bryan High School on May 17 at 10 a.m.

Kids from across the Brazos Valley can participate in up to three of the following events: 50-meter dash, 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 400-meter dash, 4x100-meter relay, standing long jump and softball throw. Local winners will advance to the state final in Austin. Winners at that level may become eligible for competition at the North American Final held in Hershey, Penn.

There is no cost to participate. You must register in person (birth certificate required) at Stephen C. Beachy Central Park, located at 1000 Krenek Tap Road. Registration deadline is May 16. For more information, visit cstx.gov/sports or call 979.764.3486.

Brazos Valley Earth Day

Saturday, April 5

The 19th Annual Brazos Valley Earth Day will celebrate and promote environmental programs and services through education, entertainment, children's activities and live music on Saturday, April 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Wolf Pen Creek Park.

Educational booths will highlight rainwater harvesting, backyard composting, green lawn care techniques, and alternative transportation. The kids zone includes an inflatable bounce, obstacle course and environmental-themed games. Local bands include Midnight on Main, Critical Misfire, and Should Have Been a Cowboy will perform throughout the day, along with the Creek View Elementary Show Choir and additional guests.

Learn more at brazosvalleyearthday.com or call 979.764.6229.

Lemonade Day is May 4

Lemonade Day is a community-wide event where kids set up their own lemonade stand and sell refreshments to their customers. Children of all ages will learn the value of setting goals, developing a business plan,

establishing a budget, seeking investors, providing customer service, and giving back to their community.

Register for free at bcs.lemonadeday.org. On Sunday, May 4, each participant sets up their lemonade stand at the time and location of their choice and sells lemonade to the community. Residents are encouraged to enjoy some lemonade and support our young entrepreneurs!

To learn more, visit bcs.lemonadeday.org or follow facebook.com/LemonadeDayBCS or @LdayBCS.

Need a Summer Job?

The City of College Station has seasonal positions open for Water Safety Instructors, Lifeguards and Swim Coaches. View position openings at csjobs.cstx.gov.

American Red Cross Lifeguard Training

Through videos, group discussion and hands-on practice, you'll learn patron rescue, surveillance skills, First Aid and CPR/AED. Following completion of the course, participants will receive a two-year CPR/AED certification and a two-year lifeguard certification. Course fee is \$150. The first of three sessions begins April 11. To register, visit cstx.gov/swim or call 979.764.3486.

2014 Starlight Music Series

Load up your coolers, blankets and lawn chairs for free entertainment during the City of College Station's Starlight Music Series at Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater.

May 3 – DEL CASTILLO, Los Texmaniacs
May 24 – CODY JOHNSON BAND, Curtis Grimes
June 7 – MATT WERTZ, Brad Cooper

Admission is free, gates open at 6 p.m. and the concerts begin at 7 p.m. Guests may bring their own refreshments, but coolers must be 48 quarts or smaller and glass containers are not allowed. Refreshments and souvenir shirts will be on sale. Parking is available at Post Oak Mall, and handicap parking will be located off of Colgate Drive.

For more information and music samples from each artist, visit cstx.gov/starlight.

events

April-May 2014

Movies in the Park: "E.T."

April 4 | Free! Movie starts at 8 p.m. at Wolf Pen Creek Park
cstx.gov/wolfpen, 979.764.3486

Bicycling Essentials Course

April 7, 12 & May 3 | Ages 14+. \$10
cstx.gov/bikepedgreenways, 979.764.3674

Easter Celebration

April 12 | 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at George Bush Presidential Library & Museum
cstx.gov/calendar, 979.691.4014

April 18 | City offices closed. Sanitation collection as scheduled.

LRC Annual Easter Egg Hunt

April 18, 1-3 p.m.
cstx.gov/lincolncenter, 979.764.3779

May 10 | Moms Swim Free

May 31 | Back to Pools Day
All city pools

Summer Youth Basketball

Register: April 7- May 2
Ages 8-16. \$70 per child.

Summer Adult Softball

Register: April 28- May 16
Teams: \$390. Ages 16+.

Summer Adult Kickball

Register: April 28- May 16
Teams: \$390. Ages 16+.

Youth T.A.A.F. Track & Field

Register: May 5- June 6
Ages 6-18. \$60 per child.

Summer Adult Volleyball

Register: May 24- June 13
Teams \$210. Ages 16+.
Play begins June 24.

Swim Lesson registration opens

May 5. Ages 6 months to adults.
cstx.gov/swim, 979.764.3486

For more events, visit:

cstx.gov/calendar